

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Gang BAO et al. ) Conf. #: 3739  
Serial No. 10/694,243 ) Art Unit: 1743  
Filed: October 27, 2003 ) Examiner: Dameron Levest Jones  
For: MULTIFUNCTIONAL MAGNETIC )  
NANOPARTICLE PROBES FOR )  
INTRACELLULAR MOLECULAR IMAGING )  
AND MONITORING )

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

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Mail Stop: Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a one-month extension of time within which to file a response to the Office Action mailed on March 6, 2006, to expire June 6, 2006.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account 19-5029 in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the fee for a one-month extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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